

Minutes

ADRC of Eagle Country Governance Board Meeting

July 27, 2018

The Aging and Disability Resource Center of Eagle Country Governance Board meeting was called to order at 9:30 a.m., Friday, July 27, 2018 in Conference Room AB of the Richland County Community Services Building, 221 W Seminary St, Richland Center, WI.

Members Present: Bette Smart, Elling Jones, Jack Jasinski, Donna McGinley, Lane Delaney, Marie Rakow, Chuck Whitsell, Teresa Wolkowski, Belinda Granger, Donald Stirling, Donald Seep.

Members Absent: Vern Demers

Others Present: Becky Dahl, Roxanne Klubertanz-Gerber, Roby Fuller, Char Norberg, Ingrid Kovars

The meeting was called to order by Board Chairperson, Bette Smart, at 9:30 am.

Approval Agenda and Posting: Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Elling Jones to approve the agenda and proper posting. Motion carried.

Approval of Minutes: Motion by Marie Rakow, second by Jack Jasinski to approve the minutes of the June 22, 2018 Meeting. Motion carried.

Citizen Comments:

Regional Budget Report

Approve Regional Office Monthly Expense Sheet

Becky Dahl reviewed the expenses for the month of May.

Motion by Donald Seep, second by Chuck Whitsell to approve the June expenses. Motion Carried.

Regional Budget Review

The Regional Budget was summarized. The state has approved a request for an additional \$2000 to the Nursing Home Relocation Grant for a total amount to \$54,000 for 2018. The region seems to be on pace to draw down this new amount. This grant is earned by providing information to individuals in nursing homes which provides options to move home or out of the nursing home, this ultimately saves a great deal of state dollars. The nursing home relocation money is distributed based on staff time reporting how much time they have spent doing work in nursing homes. It is possible to ask to increase the grant amount again in the future if it looks like we are going to need more of these funds. Motion by Chuck Whitsell, second by Donna McGinley to approve the Regional Budget. Motion Carried.

Recommend to Juneau County Finance and Computer Committee and Personnel Committee to hire an additional (3rd) Information and Assistance Specialist with a possible up to 20% (\$14,700) tax levy contribution

There is a great deal of data to give evidence to the fact that the Mauston office needs an additional Information and Assistance Specialist. The original thought was to request funding from Juneau County to make this position possible. However the fiscal staff met 7-26-2018 and

suggested we move some funding around to the Mauston office from the Nursing Home Relocation Grant to fully fund this position and avoid the possibility of Juneau County denying the position based on the need for Juneau County tax levy funding. Funding and working together as a region to push funding to fill needs in the offices was discussed.

Motion by Marie Rakow, second by Donald Stirling to recommend the Juneau County Finance and Computer Committee And Personnel Committee hire an additional (3rd) Information and Assistance Specialist fully funded by The ADRC of Eagle Country. Discussion on timeline of this position. Roll Call vote taken.

Donna McGinley	yes
Belinda Granger	abstaine
Elling Jones	yes
Jack Jasinski	yes
Marie Rakow	yes
Donald Seep	yes
Lane Delaney	yes
Donald Stirling	yes
Teresa Wolkowski	no
Chuck Whitsell	no
Bette Smart	yes

Motion Carried.

Contract Agreement Update

Update on Contract Agreements will take place next month once conversations between Corporation Counsels in the region to update and make contract agreements are consistent. Update: Sauk County has a new Corporation Counsel

Joint ADRC of Southwest and Eagle Country Governing Board Fall Advocacy Meeting

Last meeting it was suggested this meeting be put off until after fall elections. The new suggestion is that the meeting take place in February or March of 2019. No date has been set yet and conversations will continue to take place in planning this meeting. There will be a date set in February with a contingency date set in March in case weather affects a February meeting. An advocacy brief was discussed. In addition to aging issues, disability and mental health advocacy issues will be discussed at this meeting. Article by Senator Erpenbach was summarized.

Dementia Care Specialist Update

Gina Laack will be starting August 6th. She has a background in dementia care in a nursing home setting. In her first month she'll be attending meetings to get to know our region.

Board Education: Supportive Decision Maker

Becky Dahl summarized the new Supportive Decision Maker law. All ADRC staff are being trained on this. This document is for individuals with a variety of conditions or disabilities who wish to have support in single or various areas of decision making. Moving forward this tool will be included in the Power of Attorney Packets.

Summarize Regional Updates – Office Managers:

Regional:

RC: The office has turned in a first draft of the three year aging plan. A Transportation grant to for a new bus is in progress. Outreach includes: Medicare Maze and a Youth in Transition night. Transportation is setting up events for fall and trips to orchards. The office has an article

in the paper for the homeless point in time count. This is a national event that takes place twice a year that helps fund homelessness resources.

Mauston: The office has attended a meeting with GWAAR and Mile Buff to collaborate on evidence based health programs related to obesity, physical activity etc. The office is writing to Wisconsin Institute for Healthy Aging (WIHA) for a diabetes mini grant. The local hospital was awarded a grant to start a memory café. The nutrition program worked with state on nutrition site data and was able to identify individuals who have stopped coming to the meal site. Those individuals have received an invitation to visit the site again. New funding has been earmarked in Wisconsin to provide employment transportation to those with disabilities.

PdC: The office has turned in the three year aging plan and will be meeting with the Transportation committee to work on the transportation grant. The office will provide Powerful Tools for Caregivers workshops in the fall. The office is restarting Dementia Care Taskforce meetings. The office is putting on a Senior Fest outreach event and partnering with Crossing Rivers as to get more attendance. The Transportation program is working with Bluff Haven for trips to orchards and wineries in the community. The office Facebook page is active. The office ADRC staff have been featured in local newspapers.

Citizen Comments:

Lane Delaney updated on WIHA conference. Ageism was discussed and how to fight against it. Having a positive outlook on aging adds 7.5 years on average to your life. Preventative and health promotion programs were discussed. Other topics include: Health benefits of animal interactions, the opioid epidemic and how it is affecting our aging population, signs and symptoms, and what is being done, abuse and neglect of substances in general. EMS and ADRC partnerships – EMS now leaving ADRC info to individuals who are repeatedly seen for falls.

Next meeting date: August 24, 2018

Other Discussion and Suggested items for Next Agenda:

Advocacy VS Lobbying

Convene in Closed Session Per Wis Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) to Consider Grade

Classification for Regional Administrative Support

Motion by Jack Jasinski, second by Donald Stirling to move into closed session per Wis Statutes 19.85 (1) (c) to consider grade classification for Regional Administrative Support.

Motion carried. Closed session began at am and ended at 11:53am.

Return to Open Session

Motion by Chuck Whitsell, second by Donald Stirling to move meeting to open session. Motion carried. Open Session resumed at 12:00pm.

Motion by Chuck Whitsell, second by Jack Jasinski to recommend to Juneau County Personnel Committee a classification of the ADRC of Eagle Country Regional Administrative Assistant position from the current Grade 6 to a Grade 10 providing a per hour increase of \$1.8551 to begin January 1, 2020. Roll Call vote taken.

Donna McGinley	yes
Belinda Granger	yes
Elling Jones	yes
Jack Jasinski	yes
Marie Rakow	yes
Donald Seep	yes
Lane Delaney	yes

Donald Stirling	yes
Teresa Wolkowski	yes
Chuck Whitsell	yes
Bette Smart	yes

Motion Carried.

Adjourn: Motion by Chuck Whitsell, second by Donald Stirling to adjourn the meeting. Meeting adjourned at 12:03p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Ingrid Kovars
Administrative Secretary

Reviewed by Becky Dahl: